

REMARKS

Entry of the forgoing, reexamination and reconsideration of the subject application, is respectfully requested.

The claim amendments section contained in this response includes a comprehensive claim listing pursuant to 37 CFR §1.121. The claim amendments contained in the response filed April 14, 2005 are incorporated herein. Some minor amendments to the previously presented claims are also included. In addition, claims 190-214 have been added. Thus, upon entry of the present response, claims 70, 71, 76, 77 and 110-214 are pending and await further consideration.

Exemplary support for new claims 190-214 can be found at least at the following locations of the original disclosure: pg. 8, lines 12-21; pg. 9, lines 27-33; pg. 10, lines 14-29; pg. 12, lines 13-20; pg. 13, lines 7-11; pg. 15, lines 16-18 and 25-35; pg. 16, lines 1-2; pg. 22, lines 2-12; pg. 32, lines 20-35; pg. 33, lines 1-35; pg. 34, lines 23-24; pg. 35, lines 1-12, 19-24, and 34-35; pg. 36, lines 9-14; pg. 37, lines 7-9 and 14-24; pg. 49, lines 23-35; and pg. 50, lines 2-22.

Claims 190-214 correspond to claims 1-25 of U.S. Patent No. 6,723,046 (the '046 patent) issued on April 20, 2004. Claims 190-214 are presented and described herein in order to satisfy 35 U.S.C. 135(b), 37 C.F.R. 1.604(b) and 1.607(c), and in anticipation of a Request for Interference to be filed at a later date. This notice is also intended to satisfy the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 10.23(c)(7).

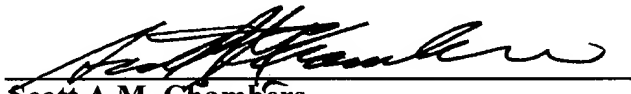
Since the Patent Office determined that claims 1-25 of the '046 patent are patentable, corresponding claims 190-214 are likewise patentable. In addition, any of the remarks already of record traversing the rejection of any of the above-mentioned claims are incorporated by reference herein.

Applicant intends to contact the Examiner for a personal interview once an appropriate Request for Interference has been filed. In the meantime, should any questions arise with regard to the above, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned.

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